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## National News at a glance

**Hispanics to outnumber blacks by year 2010.** According to the latest population projections released by the Census Bureau, the number of non-Hispanic African Americans as this nation's largest minority by the year 2030. The census projects that the black majority will number 45.4 million by 2010 and Hispanic Americans will number 51.3 million. The proportion of whites will also decline. White Americans currently account for 62.8 percent of the U.S. population. But, if the Census Bureau is right, that percentage will decline to 76.2 percent by 2030. The report also suggests that the gap between the two groups will change with immigration. Hispanics currently immigrate to California, New York, Texas, Florida, New Jersey and the Northeast. The original settlers of the Americas are expected to be Spanish-speaking. But Asians are also expected to grow rapidly and will likely outnumber white Americans as they are. So while the population shift will lead to greater or less ethnic strife—WASHINGTON, DC

**Blacks get less care but survive as well as whites.** The results of studies conducted by the National Medical Association (NMA) Association revealed that blacks get less medical care than whites. They tend to survive major illnesses just as well as whites. The study, which was conducted at Veterans Affairs (VA) hospitals, comes from a survey of nearly 100,000 patients at VA facilities. It was conducted by the NMA, which has been involved with issues of inequality. Nevertheless, blacks had a slightly better heart attack survival rate. The surprising findings suggest that blacks are more likely to be able to survive certain illnesses, if those same interventions are not available to them. Harvard Medical School's Dr. John Ayuso suggested the treatment may allow patients to feel better even if it does not prolong their lives. —BOSTON, MASS.

**Aristide backs Clinton's tax-cut plan.** The former president of Haiti, Jean-Bertrand Aristide, last week denounced Clinton's administration policy toward his country, labeling the policy "racist." Aristide was particularly upset with

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## Frontiers International hold regional conference

**PLAINFIELD.**—Frontiers International Plainfield Area Club recently hosted its regional conference focusing on "Re-building the African-American Community," May 1-2.

Plainfield Mayor and member of the club, Mark Fury was keynote speaker of the event.

Re-elected for another term were Rev. Willie Simmons, district director; John D. Brinkley, assistant director; Aaron L. Keys, treasurer; and Herbert A. Wise, district secretary.

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## Profile on the South African election

WASHINGTON, DC.—Today, there is one non-minority democratic South Africa. Apartheid, which in Afrikaans means "separation," is dead. The 10 "black homelands" and the legal appendages of apartheid are no more.

South Africa, twice the size of Texas, has a population of 36 million, 29.2 million (75 percent black), 7.2 million (18 percent white) and 1.2 million (3 percent Asian). It is 80 percent Christian, mostly Methodist, with Hindus and Muslim minorities.

The black majority has been represented by the African Democratic Party (ADP) since 1994. The party of apartheid was established in 1948 by the National Party, now headed by F.W. de Klerk, which negotiated the end of apartheid and the first free elections on the world political stage. South Africa was the last bastion of colonial rule that read lock, preventing people from voting more than once.

The young souls, poor, over three days, were asked to stand in line for hours to be assured that each voter had a fair chance to vote.

Joining the elderly, the infirm and mothers with small children of all creeds presented a picture of a people that allowed many parties to support.

They did not vote for individual representatives. Each party will receive the same

proportion of representation in the 400-member national lower house as they received votes in the election. Each party will have 20 seats for every 55,000 votes. Every party has a prioritized list of people to assume governing roles in proportion to their party's vote.

Major parties of the national level in the South African election are more progressive than others.

\* They had same-day, point-to-point voter registration.

\* There was no registration cut-off date.

\* The day before the election, people were allowed to register and vote at the height of their enthusiasm, as long as they had a voter card.

The elections were kept honest by requiring voters to show identification cards.

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Such a system will ensure a broader government coalition.

BUSINESS ENCLAVE

## The End of Apartheid

By William Reed

The world, and particularly African Americans, are seriously awaiting the change that South Africa's elections will bring. These amateur expectations are accompanied by a sense of apprehension and concern for our black brothers taking office there should. For example, during the campaign, Nelson Mandela frequently told the Black Solidarity Fund that he had "voted for my people" and would, and I haven't gotten my house yet." While it is true that the Black Solidarity Fund has got a few black elected officials in government jobs, but the number of African Americans in elected office is still below the Voting Rights Act.

Even during the old William Crow, Black Americans were the worst treated race in the United States, but not in South Africa. This is due to the fact that the Black Solidarity Fund has got a few black elected officials in government jobs, but the number of African Americans in elected office is still below the Voting Rights Act.

The new issues are "black" but just how black is the new South Africa? The total racial mix in South Africa is 73 percent white, 18 percent black and 10 percent colored. The colored statists say that the rest of the half of South Africa's 30 million blacks are unemployed, half are illiterate or semiliterate, and half are living at 20 and half live in slums like the poverty line.

Ten percent of black South Africa are "upperclass." Living on mobile lands close to urban centers, they are the descendants of the first settlers to be led by the first settlers of South Africa's black leadership middle class. A professional, educated and business person in South Africa is not as good as a black in America's 20 percent black leadership segment in world status and influence. With most black influences far from what we have in the US, people with money with power there are not as good as a black in America's 20 percent black leadership segment in world status and influence. That's why the "integration" that separates black's in South Africa is so important.

South Africa's total currency of \$110 billion exceeds that of many other African countries, and despite the nationalization of African companies, it is controlled by the white minority. In contrast to the United States, the black majority is not the dominant base, the black sector, the distribution networks and the financial powers of the country are still in the same hands, and if you look closely you'll see it. —By former President

low, but how many people are spending under the same banner as the "house of commons" and the "house of lords" actually represent the people?

What Nelson Mandela managed to do is to bind the country together. He has made the country a model of democracy and a role model for the world.

But while Black Americans celebrate the change that South Africa, due to the changed expectation of the Black Solidarity Fund, has got a few black elected officials in government jobs, but the number of African Americans in elected office is still below the Voting Rights Act.

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## Howard University president quits amid controversy

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As Connie sees it

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## Whitman's budget causes environmental setback

THIRDS.—Assembly Deputy Minority Leader Bill Smith charged that Governor Whitman's fiscal policies will expose New Jersey in a new wave of environmental contamination and degradation.

According to Whitman, the budget cuts in environmental funding of swimming pools, game-changing parks and tree-planting programs will result in the loss of 100 million dollars of state money from environmental trust funds and perhaps more.

"It's a real shame that Governor Whitman is doing this to New Jersey," said Smith.

Smith charged that the cut of money from sewer overflow mitigation funds will result in the potential of beach closing due to wash-ups of floating debris and trash. He also pointed out that there are 200 sewage-overflow basins in the New York Harbor and Canarsie Bay.

He said the cuts in the recycling fund could bring about an increase of dredging and trash lines, like the one as an effort to remove trash from the Hudson River.

Smith also accused the Whitman administration of failing to provide sufficient funding and division within the state Department of Environmental Protection and Energy. "It's clear that we should be increasing funding for DEPE," he said. "The recent DEPE budget report showing high increases in fish throughout the state. The fact that the mercury has been detected in fish in 15 different waterways shows that the problem is pervasive and must be addressed."

"Judging from the decisions Governor

Whitman made in constructing the Budget, it's clear that the environment isn't low or her list of priorities. All of the areas we have made in recent years in protecting the environment have suffered greatly. She is trifling with our environment that it's time to bring her to New Jersey and pollute our air and water."

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## Sgt. El-Amin elected president of NBPA

PLAINFIELD.—In its recently meeting

the New Jersey Council of Black Police

Associations, Inc. elected Sgt. Sildiq W. El-Amin, of the Plainfield Police Division as president.

In his new position, El-Amin will represent

A.461 law enforcement and corrections offices in 260 chapters state-wide.

Among the members of the Plainfield

Police Association Chapter and a former member of the Board of Directors of the National Black Police Association (NBPA).

Elected in 1981, the New Jersey Council

is a non-profit state-wide organization of affiliated chapters of NBPA.

The association is instrumental to assisting local chapters in their efforts to bring about effective improvement and change within their departments, ensuring the rights of law enforcement officers are protected, maintaining political stability and advancing the police in their rights and responsibilities in relation to law enforcement.

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Sgt. El-Amin has a major goal for his first 12 months in office to have the New Jersey Council host a major state-wide law enforcement training and training conference, either this fall or spring, which would be open to the community as well as law enforcement officials.



(L-R) Asstn. M. Keys, district treasurer; John Brinkley, assistant director; Mark Fury, Mayor of Plainfield; Rev. Willie Simmons, district director; Wilbert T. Holloway, International Chairman; and Herbert A. Wise, district secretary.

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## Religious Calendar

Friday, May 6

PATERSON—*Jazz & Poetry Night* is a musical comedy drama over and four hours long, featuring poetry on the most important issues of our time. The event is presented by the New Jersey Community College, 1 College Plaza, Paterson, NJ 07504. Call 201-343-1200 for more information. Tickets are \$15. For more information call 201-343-1200 or 201-343-1200, ext. 107-109.

SATURDAY, MAY 7

ELIZABETH—*State Treasury Wright & The Tontine*—A musical drama, 7 p.m. at the Ritz Theatre. Tickets are \$10 in advance. Seats in the door. For more information call 201-343-2270.

MONDAY, MAY 9

NEW BRUNSWICK—Zion A.M.E. Church celebrates 20 years of leadership by their pastor, Rev. Dr. James W. Dickey. There will be a free service at the evening on May 9. For more information call 201-933-5200.

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SATURDAY, MAY 14

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SUNDAY, MAY 15

Send Religious Calendar events to:  
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## Religious Calendar

# HHS publishes substance abuse manual

NEWARK—The Newark Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Community Health, has published a listing of alcohol and drug treatment facilities in Newark Area and Alcohol Abuse Resource Guide.

The content of the guide identifies various treatment facilities and centers within the greater Newark community and other services being offered by each agency.

Mayor Sharpe James commended Essex County officials for working

with the city of Newark to combat substance abuse. "With the publication of this guide, we are taking positive steps to address this very serious problem that is ravaging lives in Newark, throughout the state and the entire State of New Jersey. The damage is being felt on every level."

"I hope that others in the public and private sectors will follow the lead," Mayor Sharpe James commented.

For more information call the Essex County Substance Abuse Information Hotline at 201-222-1710 or 201-222-1711.

## ACS offers low cost mammograms

NEWARK—Throughout the month of May, as part of their Breast Cancer Detection Awareness Program local chapters of the American Cancer Society will provide low-cost mammograms to area women who have never had one before.

Women who are interested in having a mammogram, a clinical exam by physician and instruction in breast self-examination, the cost of the exam will be \$40.

In Essex County, eight local chapters will participate to screen over 2,000 women through programs organized by May 14.

Participating events include: Catholic Health Center, Clara Maes Medical Center, Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, Newark City Health Center, The Montclair Hospital, UMDNJ University Hospital, and University Hospital.

Women 40 and over, who have not had a mammogram in the last two years or are cancer symptom-free, may call the American Cancer Society at 201-766-1770 to schedule an appointment.

Phone lines are currently open for information, insurance and physician referrals. Financial assistance and financial assistance is available.

The American Cancer Society will continue its spring breast cancer awareness campaign, "It's Your Turn To Fight Breast Cancer." This walking and running event, which is held at Woodbridge Park, will be held on Sunday, May 15. It will attract over 2,000 participants and raise over \$200,000 for breast cancer programs. For further details, call 1-800-THE-RELAY.

ers managers. We believe it will be a valuable tool for the public. It provides additional information and resources for Newark residents to help them live healthy and safe lives," said Bob Israels, HHS director, add.

"The City's substance abuse ini-

tiative, called the 'Municipal Alliance Against Drugs' focuses on school and drug abuse prevention and rehabilitation activities for Newark residents through age 25."

For more information, please contact the Newark HHS at 201-766-1710 or 201-766-1711.

Health Calendar

NOW THRU MAY 18

PLAINFIELD—Free AIDS Testing, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., 15th Floor, Center of New Jersey now accepting appointments. Call 201-222-1710.

IRVINGTON—*It's Your Turn To Fight Breast Cancer*, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, May 14.

IRVINGTON—*Free Baby Clinic*, Afternoons. Held at the Irvington General Hospital, 1000 Broad Street, NJ 07020. MUST CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT. 201-222-1710.

EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

IRVINGTON—*Free Community AIDS Counseling and Testing*, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the lobby of the Irvington General Hospital, 1000 Broad Street, NJ 07020. Call 201-222-1710.

MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY

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## Register your child early for Kindergarten

NEWARK—The Newark School District will hold early Kindergarten registration for the 1994-95 school year, beginning Monday, May 9, through Friday, May 13.

Children who will be five years old on or before December 31, 1994 are eligible for registration. Parents registered their children in the past must present to the school office their child's birth certificate, immunization records and proof of residence. Children born on January 1—June 1 will be accepted.

The required immunization records must include specific dates and names of all immunizations. Records must show that the child has received a minimum of four doses of diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccine. One of the four doses must have been administered

on or after the child's fourth birthday.

In addition, the child's records should show vaccines for rubella and mumps and a minimum of three doses of varicella. If the child has not had three doses, he or she must have been administered on or after the child's fourth birthday.

Parents whose children have not obtained the required shots from their family physician can get immunizations from the Newark Division of Community Health at 110 W. Winter Street.

Early registration is encouraged to assure your child a place in the classroom of your choice. For more information on registration and immunization, contact the Newark Board of Education Office of Early Childhood Education at 201-733-1752.

## A Mother Cried For Her Children

HAZELWOOD—*A Mother Cried For Her Children* is a gripping drama of how a family deals with an attack by Satan himself. The play is filled with suspense, tears and uplifted spirituals. Their father, a courageous man, is an emotional casualty of this age-old conflict between good and evil.

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This image is a collage of various classified ads from a newspaper, likely from the 1980s or 90s. It includes several columns of text and small images. The top section features legal notices for Plainfield, New Jersey. Below that is an ad for the Housing Authority of Plainfield. The middle section contains several business opportunities, including 'Business for Sale' and 'Franchise Opportunities'. The bottom section has ads for various services like painting, lawn care, and legal secretarial work.

## Urban officials launch tri-city girls kick-ball league

**NEWARK**—During a recent meeting between Newark Ward Councilman and NJ State Senator Ronald L. Rice, Newark Mayor Sharpe James, Essex Mayor Michael Schedler, and Irvington Mayor Michael Steele, the officials developed a concept for a tri-city kick ball league for girls.

According to Ronald L. Rice, founder of the program, the league is targeted to the eight to 15 age range, and is forecasted to "afford young females the opportunity to receive coupons, not only with their mother, but also young mothers from other communities."

The games will take place from June to August and registration forms can be picked up at each of the cities' local recreation departments and Board of Education offices. At the end of the season, trophies will be awarded to all participants and jackets will be presented for the championship team.

## Blacks move to decriminalize drugs

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drugs. Sergeant General Jayeshwar Eshwar, along with Majors Kelly and Schenck are now claiming to have been confronted in the "hood" with questions like, "What's your age? What's your age again? Can't I be?" Isn't it time to stop moralizing about drugs and put an end to policies that are destroying our communities?

White House drug-policy director Lee Brown observes the term "drug war" as "You won't hear us using the language of war." He says, "We know we should help those who need help and arrest those who are trafficking in drugs. But I don't think we should be the ones who start the war." Brown states the former head of police in New York, Houston and Atlanta, But Washington, D.C. newspaper publisher Dr. Charles E. Johnson, has called for an "End Against Our Own People." The number of blacks being incarcerated for the use of drugs is on an alarming increase.

says the publisher of the *Washington Informer*. Although there are some 20 million users of drugs, mostly young African-American men represent 80 percent of the prison population, mostly for nonviolent drug offenses.

All the evidence of the failure of the War on Drugs suggests that the simple declassification model of tough-on-crime does not work. It has not only failed to strike the ball, except the foot of the player. The ball may be missed, but the players will be blamed for missing the ball.

Black women anti-war activists insist in the fight against black busters during or developing class consciousness. Some black women will have a so-called "black mind" regarding interracial dating, feel that they are superior to white women, and want white men to step into the shoes of those whom they serve.

Dr. Robert H. Jones, "As a nation, we need to begin to take an altogether different look at the drug problem," Major Schenck, and others are calling for a study of decriminalization "before an even higher number of black youth are cast off to prison."

"The officials who are involved in this contract are working on its outcome, we can help to motivate and spark positive outcomes. One prime example is the Newark City Board of Education Football League," said Rice.

Scheduled to take place in various public facilities and parks, the league will be open to all areas, including with local colleges, universities and high schools in host games on their playing fields, and will include, in the event of inclement weather, a committee to help to elect?

Understandably, Commissioner Klaghofer knows that these types of programs are not always well received, taking place in local school districts.

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The average game is played for seven innings.

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education, for negotiating teacher's contracts, can play a role in giving them the power to oversee or deal with what private industry is giving. In this time budget cutting and both righted, he has already advised boards to do their best to keep their budget intact on their district's behalf before they agree on a final settlement.

It will be up to the concerned citizens to review their boards decisions, and actions. Those citizens who voted to

reject their school budgets must now accept the responsibility to pursue their concerns. You can't just sit back and do nothing. You can't just sit back and do nothing. The children shouldn't be held responsible for the actions of the school administration and local boards. Responsible and accountable boards must be drawn up, and it's the responsibility of those citizens who voted to

## End of apartheid

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President Nelson Mandela will the country's Deputy President. The people who run our government, in civil service, have not changed despite the fact, and last in the National Parliament.

Does the end of apartheid in South Africa mean a new beginning to the world? Will the world now support African countries, Mandela, and his government, do some favors and give due, and expect to be repaid? Will the world now appreciate the efforts of those who helped them out of jail and brought down apartheid with their actions. Ron Brown, Ambassador to South Africa for the U.S. Department of Commerce, has called the Clinton administration into play the largest amount of any country in the world, over \$40 billion, to help improve housing, education and electric power. But, will the world respond by "blatant solidarity" in "What will America's blacks do in South Africa if our governments fail to teach them how to vote?"



James H. Rounds as a young soldier

## demand better accountability

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